

2018 Cal 25 National Championship Monday September 3, 2018

Co-Organizing Authority (OA):
Eastport Yacht Club and Chesapeake Bay Cal 25 Association
Annapolis, Maryland
Website: <http://www.cal25.org/>



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the sailing instructions (SIs) or notice of race (NoR) means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification. The notation '[NP]' in a rule of the SIs or NoR means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1 RULES

The National Championship Monday (NCM) racing will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

2 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board at: <http://www.cal25.org/>.
- 2.2 On the water, the race committee intends to monitor and communicate with competitors via VHF channel 73.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the SIs will be posted no later than two (2) hours before the first scheduled warning signal on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

No signals will be made ashore. Notices will be posted on the official notice board.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 The event schedule will be:

| Date | Time | |
|------------------------------|-----------|---|
| Monday, September 3, 2018 | 0930 | Rendezvous |
| | 1030 | First warning signal of the day |
| | 1400 | No warning signal will be made after this time |
| | 1700-2000 | Awards Party and Dinner at Port Annapolis Yacht Yard for families and friends |

- 5.2 Up to four (4) races are scheduled for the NCM.

6 CLASS FLAGS

The class flag will be flag "T."

7 RACING AREA

- 7.1 The racing area will be the Chesapeake Bay off the mouth of the Severn River as shown in Figure 1.
- 7.2 No later than two (2) hours prior to the first scheduled warning signal, the race committee will post the approximate intended location of the starting area on the official notice board. Race committee will attempt to provide an email.

8 THE COURSES

- 8.1 The courses are shown in Figure 2.
- 8.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal vessel will display the course to be sailed, the approximate distance between the leeward and windward marks, and the approximate compass bearing of the first leg of the course.
- 8.3 If the race committee signal vessel displays flag C before the warning signal, accompanied by a series of repetitive sounds, the first mark of the course will be a change mark.

9 MARKS

9.1 The mark descriptions are:

Start/ Finish: green tetrahedrons displaying the letters “EYC”

Offset: red cylinders displaying the letters “VALIANT”

Change marks: yellow tetrahedrons displaying the letters “EYC”

All other marks: orange cylinders displaying the letters “EYC”

9.2 A race committee starting or finishing vessel may set a stand-off buoy. When present, this stand-off buoy, the line attaching it to the race committee vessel, and the race committee vessel are all part of the starting or finishing mark.

10 THE START

10.1 The starting line will be between the staff or halyard displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal vessel and either the course side of the starting inflatable mark or the staff or halyard displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal vessel at the other end.

10.2 A boat that does not start within 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

11 RECALLS

The race committee will announce on VHF radio boats identified as OCS, UFD, or BFD. A boat may not base a request for redress on the failure to hear or receive the announcement, the timeliness of the announcement, or the order in which boats are announced. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change, a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

12.2 After a start, if flag C is flown over flag Q, then the course change applies only to boats beginning their final leg to the finish. This changes RRS 33 and RRS Race Signals.

13 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff or halyard displaying a blue flag on the race committee finishing vessel and the course side of the finishing inflatable mark.

14 PENALTY SYSTEM

14.1 RRS Appendix V1 will apply.

14.2 RRS Appendix V2 will apply, and is changed to: "After a race, a boat that may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or RRS 31 in an incident while racing may take a Post-Race Penalty for that incident. A boat takes the penalty by delivering a written notice to the race office or sending an email to race.committee@eastportyc.org that identifies the race number and when and where the incident occurred. The penalty shall be calculated as stated in RRS 44.3(c). The written notice must be delivered at least fifteen (15) minutes before the protest time limit."

15 TIME LIMIT

Boats failing to finish within thirty (30) minutes after the first boat in her class sails the course and finishes, and not subsequently retiring, penalized or given redress, will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4, A5, and A11.

16 PROTESTS, REQUESTS FOR REDRESS, SCORING INQUIRIES

16.1 Protest forms are available at the Cal 25 Greeter's Table at the Port Annapolis Yacht Yard Party Site on Monday. Protests, requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the protest time limit. These may alternatively be delivered by email to race.committee@eastportyc.org.

16.2 Scoring inquiry forms are available at. They can be delivered there or by email to race.committee@eastportyc.org. When the race committee receives a scoring inquiry form, it will review its records and respond as soon as practicable.

16.3 The protest time limit is two (2) hours after the time of the last finisher of the last race of the day. The protest time limit will be posted on the official notice board.

16.4 The race committee will post a list of race committee scoring actions no later than the protest time limit.

16.5 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).

16.6 As soon as practicable after the protest time limit, the protest committee will post a notice to inform competitors of the schedule of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held near the Cal 25 Greeter's Table at the Port Annapolis Yacht Yard Party Site on Monday.

17 SCORING

17.1 RRS Appendix A4, Low Point System, will apply.

17.2 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

17.3 A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores; this includes the pursuit race on Saturday (September 1, 2018) and the drop marks races on Sunday (September 2, 2018).

17.4 Boats to be scored TLE will be scored points equal to the number of boats finishing within the finishing window plus two points by the race committee without a hearing but no worse than the number of entries. This changes RRS A4.2 and A5.

18 SAFETY REGULATIONS

18.1 [DP] A boat that retires from a race, or leaves the racing area between races, shall notify the PRO as soon as practical on VHF channel 73, or via the EYC cell phone, (443) 875-3801, or via email at race.committee@eastportyc.org. A voicemail message shall include the approximate time of the message, the skipper's name, boat name, and sail number.

18.2 [NP] [DP] A boat shall not exercise right of way, cross in proximity to, or interfere with reasonable transit of the race area by commercial ships, tugs, or barges. Boats must take evasive action well in advance of a potentially dangerous situation. The US Coast Guard, ship captains, and bay pilots have been encouraged to report any incident they observe.

18.3 A boat without way may use any means of propulsion to avoid commercial traffic that is under way provided:

- (a) the boat does not gain an advantage;
- (b) use of the propulsion is the boat's only means of avoiding the commercial traffic; and,
- (c) the boat submits a report to the race office (in writing or by e-mail to raceoffice@annapolisyc.org) by the protest filing deadline describing the incident and the boat's actions.

18.4 The race committee or protest committee may protest a boat for SI 18.2 based on information received from any source. The protest time limit does not apply. The protest time limit does not apply. A report from the US Coast Guard, a ship captain, or a bay pilot will be accepted as evidence without the author present. This changes RRS 60.2, 60.3, 61.3, and 63.6.

19 PRIZES

19.1 "Keeper" trophies for the overall National Championship event will be awarded through five (5) places.

19.2 The Cal 25 National Championship perpetual trophy will also be presented to the overall winner.

19.3 Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.

20 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk; see RRS 4. The Organizing Authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

FIGURE 1 - RACE AREA LOCATION

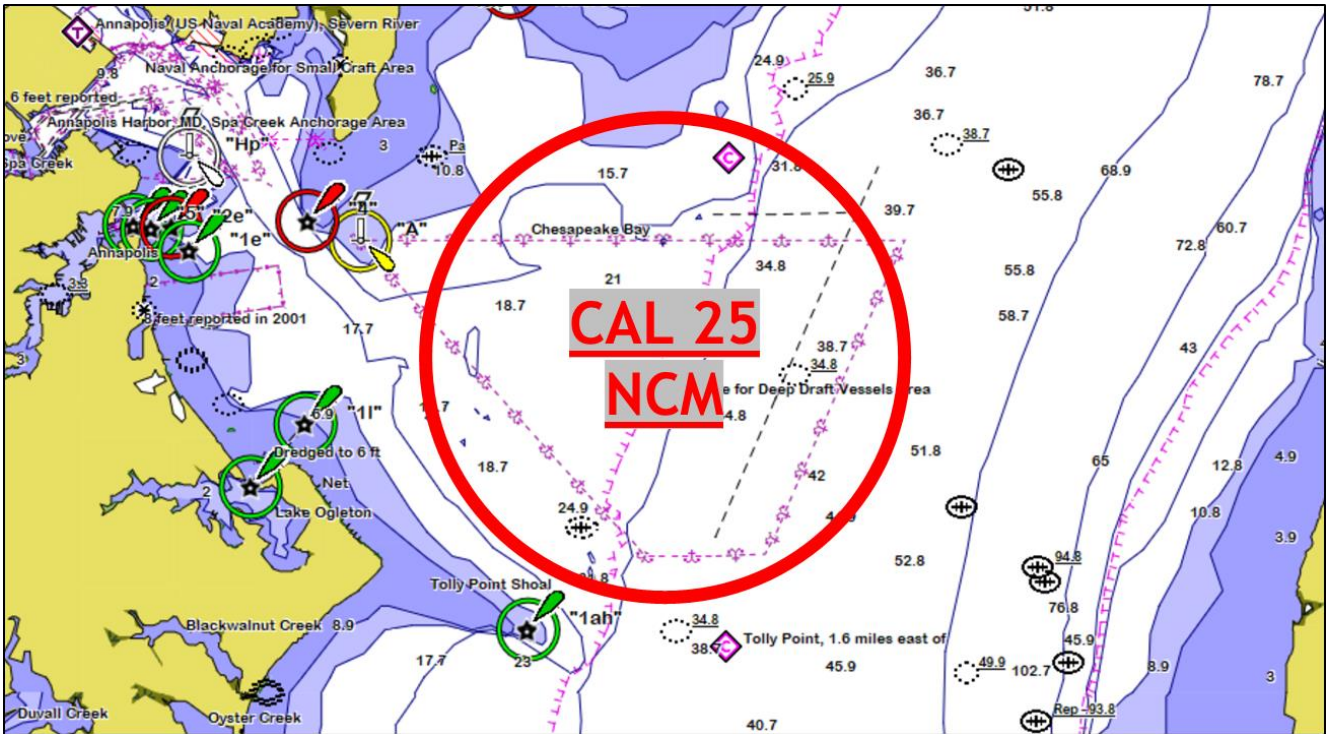


FIGURE 2 - COURSES

In the figure below, the course designation is followed by the mark rounding order for that course. All marks are to be rounded to port.

